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1. The senior officers on the commanding staff of the Polish navy include the following:

   a. Vice Admiral Czerokow — Commander-in-Chief; a Soviet officer of Russian nationality.

   b. Rear Admiral J. Szelagowski — Deputy Commander-in-Chief; a Soviet officer of Polish descent.

   c. Captain Josef Urbanowicz — Political Deputy; a Soviet officer of Polish descent who may have been recalled.

   d. Commander Marian Wojcieszek — Chief of Staff; formerly at Swinoujscie; now being relieved by a Soviet officer and released from the navy.

   e. Lieutenant Chorasiewicz — Operations Officer

2. The leading fleet officers include:

   a. Commander Stanislaw Mieszkowski — Fleet Commander; a Pole; formerly Chief of the General Staff

   b. Commander Poljakow — Chief, Technical Section; a Soviet officer.

   c. Lt. Commander Sidorkin — Assistant Chief, Technical Section; a Soviet officer.

   d. Commander Smigierev — Chief, Liaison Section; a Soviet officer. He replaced Bielov, who has returned to the Soviet Union.

3. Commanders of the naval units include:

   a. Lieutenant Adzislaw Studzinski — C.O. of the destroyer O.R.P. Blyskawica; a Pole trained in the Soviet Union during or since the war.

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b. Commander Waclaw Krzywiec   C.O. of the motorboat fleet; a Polish officer in the pre-war navy, now threatened with dismissal.

c. Lieutenant Ludwig Szul   C.O. of the submarine flotilla; a Pole; in the navy since 1939.

d. Lieutenant Stefan Ordon   Assistant C.O. of the submarine flotilla; Political Deputy; a Polish Communist.

e. Lt. Commander Novikov   Chief, Technical Section of Submarine Division; actually controls the Division; a non-Polish-speaking Soviet officer; replaced Lt. Commander Romanowski, a Polish pre-war officer dismissed in the summer of 1950.

f. Lieutenant Pietraszkiewicz   C.O. of the submarine O.R.P. Sep; a Pole.

g. Lieutenant Urbanski   C.O. of the submarine O.R.P. Rys; a post-war officer of Communist sympathies.

h. Lieutenant Salkowski   C.O. of the submarine O.R.P. Zbik; a Pole who has come from the Soviet Union.

4. Since 1946 a group of navy engineers has been stationed at Babi Dol (P55/X72). They are under the command of Commander Barykadov*, a Soviet officer in Polish uniform who speaks good Polish. About 180 army engineers are attached to the unit, which is charged with all engineering work along the entire Polish coast, whether naval or other military construction. Since 1949, political prisoners have replaced German war prisoners as a slave labor supply for the unit. This unit has modernized the airfield at Babi Dol, and is now lengthening both runways there. It has strengthened the coastal defenses on the Hel Peninsula and at Redlowo (255/X44).

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